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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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Robert E. Brown and Shirley H. Brown, Wilmington, Delaware. <u>Pro</u>Se.

David L. Finger, Esquire of Finger & Slanina, Wilmington, Delaware. Counsel for Defendant Interbay Funding, LLC. Of Counsel: David M. Souders and Sandra L. Brickel of Weiner Brodsky Sidman Kider, Washington, D.C.

Carol J. Antoff, Esquire of Reger & Rizzo, Wilmington, Delaware. Counsel for Defendant Lagreca & Quinn Real Estate Services, Inc.

MEMORANDUM OPINION

Dated: November 8 , 2004 Wilmington, Delaware

ROBINSON Chief Judge

1. INTRODUCTION

On June 28, 2004, plaintiffs Robert E. Brown and Shirley H. Brown filed this action against defendants Interbay Funding, LLC ("Interbay") and Lagreca & Quinn Real Estate Services ("Lagreca & Quinn") alleging discrimination in violation of the Equal Credit Opportunity Act ("ECOA"), 15 U.S.C. § \$ 1691 et seq., and the Fair Housing Act, 42 U.S.C. § \$ 3601 et seq.; negligence; fraud; violations of the Federal Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act ("FIRREA"), 12 U.S.C. § \$ 3331 et seq.; and violations of the Uniform Appraisal Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice. (D.I. 1) Pending before the court are plaintiffs' motion for sanctions under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 11 (D.I. 22) and Interbay's motion to dismiss. (D.I. 8) For the following reasons, the court denies plaintiffs motion for sanctions and grants Interbay's motion to dismiss.

II. BACKGROUND

On March 11, 2004, plaintiffs contracted to purchase three parcels of property located at 2617-2619-2625 Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware ("property"). (D.I. 1) One parcel contains two-story, semi-detached commercial building; the other two are paved parking lots. (D.I. 11 at Ex. A) The building is a dwelling, built in 1915, that has been converted into a beauty salon. Id. Plaintiffs intended to use the commercial property to expand their restaurant business. (D.I. 9 at 4)

Plaintiffs applied for a mortgage loan through Janet
Madrick, a broker for Sunset Mortgage Company. Id. A loan
application was then submitted to Interbay, the mortgage lender.

Id. Interbay approved the loan application subject to an
appraisal of the property, to assure that there was sufficient
collateral for the loan. Id. Interbay contracted with Lagreca &
Quinn to perform the appraisal. Id. at Ex. A. The agreement
required plaintiffs to pay \$2,500 for the appraisal.

Based on other properties within the same zip code, plaintiffs expected the property to be valued "around the \$200,000 range." (D.I. 1 at 3) Lagreca & Quinn valued the property at \$140,000. (D.I. 9 at Ex. A) After the appraisal, Interbay adjusted plaintiffs' mortgage, agreeing to finance 65% of the purchase price instead of 80% and requiring plaintiffs to make a down payment of 35% of the purchase price instead of 20%. (D.I. 9 at 5)

After finding out that the terms of the mortgage had changed, plaintiffs had their bank rescind the \$2,500 that had been transferred to Lagreca & Quinn because they disputed the accuracy of the appraisal. (D.I. 1 at 4) Plaintiffs alleged that Lagreca & Quinn only appraised one of the lots and compared

¹There is a dispute regarding when plaintiffs actually received a copy of the appraisal. Plaintiffs allege Interbay refused to provide them a copy upon request, but Interbay insists they received one.

the property to those outside the appropriate area. (D.I. 11 at D.I. 9 at 5) Initially, Interbay agreed to have all three parcels reappraised based on plaintiffs' arguments, but later informed plaintiffs that the original appraisal had taken the two paved lots into consideration. The appraisal considered paved parking lots as utility added to the parcel with the commercial building. (D.I. 9, Ex. A at 18) Because none of the lots used for comparison had on-site parking, Lagreca & Quinn assigned a higher value to the parcel with the commercial building, as opposed to valuing the two paved lots independently.² Id.

Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 11 allows a court to sanction a party or attorneys under limited circumstances. A court can award sanctions if a party or attorney has presented a motion for an "improper purpose," the claims or defenses put forth in a motion are frivolous, the claims in a motion are not likely to be supported by the evidence after investigation, or a party wrongfully denies a factual allegation. See Fed. R. Civ. P. 11(b) (2004).

Plaintiffs allege defendants wrongfully denied factual allegations in their answer because defendants denied discriminating against them. (D.I. 22 at 5) A finding that

 $^{^2}$ The result was a value based on 1,875 square feet, the size of the parcel with the building, as opposed to 6,980 square feet, the size of all three parcels.

defendants wrongfully denied plaintiffs' allegations in their

asswer would require the court to first find that defendants

discriminated against plaintiffs. Thus far, defendants have

alleged a sufficient factual basis for denying plaintiffs'

allegations; therefore, defendants did not necessarily

misrepresent the issue to the court when they denied plaintiffs'

allegations.

Plaintiffs also allege defendants misrepresented a document to this court because they failed to include a page of the document. (D.I. 22 at 2) The allegedly omitted page is a page of a fax sent by Interbay to plaintiffs to explain the appraisal. (Id. at Ex. 2) It is not a page of the appraisal. There is no evidence of bad faith on the part of the defendants. Therefore, the court declines to sanction defendants or their attorneys for the alleged omission.

IV. INTERBAY'S MOTION TO DISMISS

Interbay claims that plaintiffs failed to assert a cause of action against it because plaintiffs do not allege that Interbay performed the discriminatory appraisal. Plaintiffs argue that Interbay is responsible for Lagreca & Quinn's discrimination based on principles of agency.

A. Standard of Review

Because the parties have referred to matters outside the pleadings, Interbay's motion to dismiss shall be treated as a motion for summary judgment. 3 See Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(b)(6). A court shall grant summary judgment only if "the pleadings, depositions, answers to interrogatories, and admissions on file, together with the affidavits, if any, show that there is no genuine issue as to any material fact and that the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law." FED. R. CIV. P. 56(c). The moving party bears the burden of proving that no genuine issue of material fact exists. See Matsushita Elec. Indus. Co. v. Zenith Radio Corp., 475 U.S. 574, 586 n.10 (1986). "Facts that could alter the outcome are 'material,' and disputes are 'genuine' if evidence exists from which a rational person could conclude that the position of the person with the burden of proof on the disputed issue is correct." Horowitz v. Fed. Kemper Life Assurance Co., 57 F.3d 300, 302 n.1 (3d Cir. 1995) (internal citations omitted). If the moving party has demonstrated an absence of material fact, the nonmoving party then "must come forward with 'specific facts showing that there is a genuine issue for trial.'" Matsushita, 475 U.S. at 587 (quoting Fed. R. Civ. P. 56(e)). The court will "view the underlying facts and

³Interbay included both a copy of the appraisal and its engagement letter to Lagreca & Quinn among its papers.

all reasonable inferences therefrom in the light most favorable the party opposing the motion." Pa. Coal Ass'n v. Babbitt, 63 F.3d 231, 236 (3d Cir. 1995). The mere existence of some evidence in support of the nonmoving party, however, will not be sufficient for denial of a motion for summary judgment; there must be enough evidence to enable a jury reasonably to find for the nonmoving party on that issue. See Anderson v. Liberty

Lobby, Inc., 477 U.S. 242, 249 (1986). If the nonmoving party fails to make a sufficient showing on an essential element of its case with respect to which it has the burden of proof, the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law. See Celotex

Corp. v. Catrett, 477 U.S. 317, 322 (1986).

B. Interbay's Reliance on the Appraisal

The ECOA prohibits discrimination by a creditor "against any applicant, with respect to any aspect of a credit transaction . . . based on race . . . " 15 U.S.C. § 1691 (a). Likewise, the FHA provides:

It shall be unlawful for any person or other entity whose business includes engaging in residential real estate-related transactions to discriminate against any person in making available such a transaction, or in the terms or conditions of such a transaction, because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin.

42 U.S.C. § 3605(a). Federal rules prohibit lenders from relying on an appraisal that they know, or should know, is discriminatory

in violation of the FHA or the ECOA. <u>See</u> 12 C.F.R. § 528.2a (2004).

The court is not prepared to decide on the record presently before it whether the appraisal was discriminatory and, if so, whether Interbay knew or should have known that the appraisal was discriminatory. For example, the court has no evidence relating to valuation, i.e., whether valuing the single parcel with the building and the utility of on-site parking (instead of all three parcels individually) was appropriate. As such, the court denies Interbay's motion for summary judgment without prejudice to renew at the completion of discovery upon a more developed factual record.

C. Interbay's Relationship with Lagreca & Quinn

Plaintiffs claim that Interbay is liable for the discriminatory appraisal because Lagreca & Quinn was acting as its agent. Agency relationships require the agreement that one party will act on behalf of another and the "understanding that the principal is to be in control" See Restatement (Second) of Agency § 1 cmt. b (1958). "It is the element of continuous subjection to the will of the principal which distinguishes the . . . agency agreement from other agreements."

Id. Without this level of control, an entity who contracts to perform a service for another is merely an independent contractor. See id. at § 2.

Interbay contracted with Lagreca & Quinn to provide an _ndependent appraisal" report. (D.I. 19 at Ex. 2) letter dated March 30, 2004, Lagreca & Quinn indicated it was submitting the appraisal on the property at issue "[i]n fulfillment of [its] agreement as outlined in the Letter of Engagement." (D.I. 11 at Ex. A) Interbay was not entitled to use the appraisal for any use other than that specified in the agreement. Id. Although the agreement placed certain requirements on the appraisal, Interbay was not in control of the process. Lagreca & Quinn used its own tools and employees to appraise the property. In addition, Interbay was not responsible for paying Lagreca & Quinn for the appraisal, as plaintiffs paid for it. The court concludes that Lagreca & Quinn was acting as an independent contractor because its conduct was not controlled by Interbay. Because there is no agency relationship, Interbay is not liable for any alleged discrimination by Lagreca & Quinn.

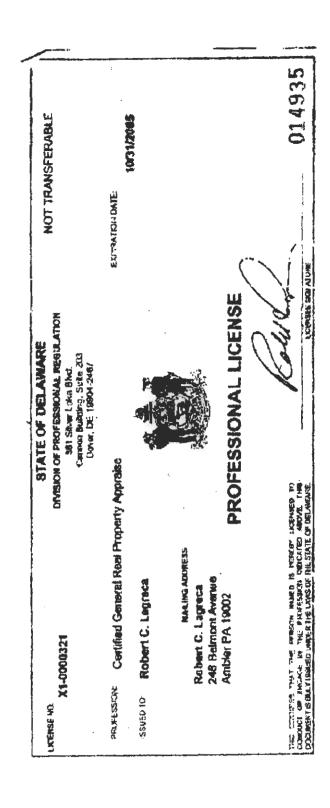
V. CONCLUSION

Plaintiffs' motion for Rule 11 sanctions is denied.

Interbay's motion to dismiss is granted in part and denied in part. Interbay's motion is granted with respect to plaintiffs' claims that it is liable for Lagreca & Quinn's appraisal because of an agency relationship. Interbay's motion is denied with respect to plaintiffs' claim that it relied on a discriminatory

appraisal in violation of 12 C.F.R. § 528.2a. An order consistent with this memorandum opinion shall issue.

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ROBERT E. BROWN and, SHIRLEY H. BROWN, h/w,)	C. A. 04-617 SLR
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INTERBAY FUNDING, LLC, and	}	JURY DEMANDED
LEGRECA & QUINN REAL ESTATE)	
SERVICES INC.,)	
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Defendants.)	

AFFIDAVIT

- I, Robert Lagreca, hereby depose that I am a duly authorized representative of Lagreca & Quinn Real Estate Services, Inc., a Defendant in the above-captioned matter, and that the following statements are true:
- I am a Certified General Real Property Appraiser certified by the State of Delaware and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
 - 2. I am a Senior Residential Member in good standing of the Appraisal Institute.
- 3. My education, training and experience make me qualified to testify regarding the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice of the Appraisal Foundation (hereinafter "USPAP") which is authorized by Congress as the source of Appraisal Standards and Appraisal Oualifications.
- 4. My education, training and experience make me qualified to testify regarding the Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice of the Appraisal Institute (hereinafter "SPAI").

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5. The property at 2617, 2619 and 2625 Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware, which is the subject of the above-captioned litigation (hereinafter "subject property"), consists of three separate tax parcels.

- The subject property was appraised as one commercial unit consisting of the twostory dwelling converted into commercial use with on-site parking.
- 7. It is the usual, customary and accepted practice within the business of Real Estate.

 Appraisal to determine the value of commercial property located over more than one tax parcel as a whole.
- 8. It is not the usual, ordinary or accepted practice in the business of Real Estate

 Appraisal to appraise a single unit of commercial property located on several tax parcels by valuing each tax parcel separately.
- 9. The appraisal of the subject property as a commercial building with on-site parking conforms with the USPAP and the SPAP.
- 10. Standard Rule 1-4(e) of USPAP states that the appraiser must analyze the value "of the assembledge of the various estates and component parts of the property and refrain from valuing the whole solely by adding together the individual values of the various estates or component parts."
- 11. Standard Rule 3-1(f) of USPAP mandates that the appraiser determine what appraisal method is appropriate for the particular property to be appraised and does not require that all three methods (Sales Comparison Approach, Cost Approach and Income Approach) be used on the property appraised.
 - 12. All analyses, opinions and conclusions in the appraisal report provided to Interbay

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Funding, LLC, were prepared in conformity with the USPAP, the SPAP and the Code of

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- 3. SRA's primary focus is on residential appraisals.
- **4.** To obtain the SRA, appraiser's need more education and experience than a "typical" appraiser.
- **5.** Licensed or Certified appraisers are the minimum, while SRA or MAI designated appraisers are at the top of the appraiser hierarchy.

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- The SRPA membership designation, which is held by appraisers who are experienced in the valuation of commercial, industrial, residential and other types of property.
- The SRA professional membership designation, which is held by real estate solutions providers who are experienced in the analysis and valuation of residential real property. Currently the Appraisal Institute confers the MAI and SRA designations.

The current requirements to receive the SRA designation are:

Education

- Receive a passing grade on seven examinations that reflect 181 hours of classroom instruction and that test the appraiser's knowledge of appraisal principles, residential valuation techniques, report writing and standards of professional practice
- Hold an undergraduate degree from an accredited educational institution (or satisfy a specified alternative)

Experience

Receive credit for 4,500 hours of experience, including 2,000 hours of residential appraisal experience, all of which must meet strict criteria

Demonstration Report

Receive credit for a demonstration appraisal report relating to a residential property that demonstrates the ability to present a properly supported value estimate or opinion evaluating the nature, quality, or utility of a parcel of real estate or any interest in, or aspect of, real property, OR fulfill an approved comparable alternative

The current requirements to receive the MAI designation are: Education

- Receive a passing grade on 11 examinations that reflect 380 hours of classroom instruction and that test the appraiser's knowledge of basic and advanced appraisal principles, procedures and applications; report writing; valuation analysis and standards of professional practice
- Receive a passing grade on a four-module, two-day comprehensive examination
- Hold an undergraduate degree from a four-year accredited educational institution

Experience

Receive credit for 6,000 hours of experience, including 3,000 hours of specialized appraisal experience, all of which must meet strict criteria

Demonstration Report

Receive credit for a demonstration appraisal report relating to income-producing property that demonstrates the ability to present a properly supported value estimate or opinion evaluating the nature. quality or utility of a parcel of real estate or any interest in, or aspect of, real property, including handling physical incurable depreciation, OR fulfill an approved comparable alternative.

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Date: 3/24/2004

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Michael Lagreca Lagreca & Quinn Real Estate Services, Inc. 1121 Horcham Rd. Ambler, PA 19002

Dear Michael Lagreca,

This letter is our engagement letter for the appraisal services described, herein; please sign and return this letter to the undersigned, and include an executed copy in your report. This letter represents the authorization of InterBay Funding, LLC ("the client") to prepare an independent appraisal report for the property described below. Complete compliance, as determined by the client, with the terms of this letter and its attachment(s) is necessary to insure acceptance of the appraisal report and prompt payment of your invoice. The appraisar to which this letter is addressed is expected to complete an interior inspection and sign the report.

Borrower Name: Property Address: Shirley R. Brown 2617-2619-2625

Property Address: City, State, Zip:

Wilmington, DE 19802

Loan or ID Number:

: 2040542

Pee: Due Date: \$2,900 4/20/2004

General Requirements:

- 1. Marrative appraisals are acceptable. Porms 71-A, 71-B and UCIAR are acceptable with authorization of client.
- 2. The purpose of the report is to estimate the Fee Simple Interest (unless an existing lease is long-term and below market levels) in accordance with the definition of market value as referenced in the most recent edition of UNPAP. An "as is" market value must be reported. When applicable, an allocation to FF & E, business and going concern value is required.
- 3. Competency The report must contain a statement as to the competency of the appraiser. A General Certified appraiser who is experienced with the property type and the subject market must inspect the interior of the property.
- 4. Departure The report must conform to the most recent versions of USPAP and FIRREA and shall not invoke the departure provision without the express written consent of the client.
- 5. Delivery The Client reserves the right to reduce the fee by five percent (5%) per day for any appraisal delivered past the due date. The appraisan must notify the Client, preferably in writing, at least one week before the due date of any reasonable delays.
- 6. Communication Neither the appraiser nor the appraisal firm may divulge the opinions or conclusions or give a copy of the appraisal report to anyone other than the client or client's designed as specified in writing.

Valuation Requirements:

Cost Approach - (if developed) Comparable land sales, location map, and adjustment grid are required. The source of cost and depreciation estimates must be disclosed. The omission of the dost approach is not considered a departure if the approach is not applicable to the property.

Sales Comparison Approach (required) - Photographs, adjustment grid (whether quantitative or qualitative), and comparable sale property location map rust be included. Any adjustments applied for market conditions must be supported by market data. The comparable sales should not require substantial adjustment(s),

Income Approach (required) - Rental photographs and compatitive rental location map are required, and the detail must be sufficient to allow independent review. Market data and comments are required to support estimates of vacancy, expenses and capitalization rates. See the Client's Valuation Guidelines for additional details.

Content Requirements:

- 1. Prior Sales: Analyze and report any sales of the subject property that have occurred within the past three years. Any recent offer, current offer or pending agreement of sale must also be reported and the appraiser must reconcile the appraised value to any such previous sale, offer or pending transaction.
- 2. Historical Data: All historical data (schedule of renovation costs, generall, operating statement, etc.) should be included in the addenda of the report.
- 3. Zoning: The subject's coning must be disclosed and an explicit statement discussing the subject's conformance, or the lack thereof, must also be included.
- 4. Real Estate Taxes: Actual taxes and delinquent taxes must be reported. For valuation purposes, the analysis should address whether the real estate taxes would change (up or down) if the property was sold and the property should be valued accordingly (especially if the current market value significantly differs from the current assessed value).
- 5. Subject Photographs: Required of interior, exterior and street scenes.
- 6. Building Sketch: Required in some format, whether completed by the appraiser or via a blueprint. The appraiser must explicitly state the source of the size estimates (gross, rentable, etc) that are provided.
- 7. Marketing Time: Must be reported.
- 6. Extent of Inspection; the appraiser must report the areas that were included in the inspection. For apartment properties, all vacant units and at least 50 percent of the overall units must be inspected.

Client Requirements:

- 1. Appraisal report must comply with all requirements found in this letter and the Client's Valuation Guidelines.
- 2. Appraisal should not be completed until all necessary documentation (purchase agreement, leases, rent roll, operating statements, and renovation schedule) is provided that is required to support the valuation.

- 3. At a minimum, the Sales Comparison and Indomo approaches to value are required for all assignments unless the Client authorizes alternate content.
- 4. The appraised value should not exceed a current purchase price unless a compelling and verifiable reason is provided. Conversely, if the sales contract includes seller concessions for repairs, closing costs or financing that is atypical to the market then these amounts must be accounted for in the "As Is" value estimate.
- 5. The appraiser must contact the client if any of the following conditions * Subject property consists of multiple tex parcels;

* Value is allocated to excess or surplus land;

- * Subject property requires substantial renovation or rehabilitation (> \$20,000);
- Subject property is designed for a specific purpose and not adaptable to alternate use(s);
- * If required property information is not being provided in a timely fashion;

* Estimated marketing time exceeds 12 months.

You may arrange for an interior inspection and obtain all pertinent information by contacting the following:

Property Contact/Phone #: Janet Madric / 302-658-9644

Please certify one electronic copy of the report uploaded to the InterBay Funding, LLC RIMS site (Preferred Method). The report #WAE be addressed to "InterBay Funching, LLC or its assigns".

If this is not possible, please overnight one copy of the report to each location below:

Cathy Gallagher InterBay Funding 1301 Virginia Drive, Suite 403 Fort Washington, PA 19034

Real Betate Department InterBay Funding 1301 Virginia Drive, Suite 403 Fort Washington, PA 19034

Upon receipt, sign and return this letter via facsimile to the undersigned.

For InterBay Funding

Cathy Gallagher InterBay Funding 305-646-4565

Cathy Gallagher

Appraiser Acceptance

3/25/04 Date

Signature: Hicker Ci-Printed Name: Hickory 3.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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Plaintiffs,)
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INTERBAY FUNDING, LLC and LEGRECA & QUINN REAL ESTATE SERVICES, INC.,)))
Defendants.)

ORDER

At Wilmington this 21st day of March, 2005, having reviewed plaintiffs' motions to compel and defendants' responses thereto;

IT IS ORDERED that said motions (D.I. 61, 63, 70) are granted in part and denied in part, as follows:

- 1. The motions are denied with respect to defendant
 Interbay Funding, LLC, as I find this defendant's responses to
 plaintiffs' interrogatories to be appropriate and sufficient.
- 2. The motions are granted with respect to defendant Legreca & Quinn Real Estate Services, Inc. ("Legreca & Quinn"), who made no apparent attempt to respond in any substantive way to plaintiffs' interrogatories. Therefore, on or before April 5, 2005, defendant Legreca & Quinn shall respond in a substantive

fashion to interrogatories numbered 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 22 and 23, all of which refer to the appraisal process. Even if the interrogatories are inartfully crafted, Legreca & Quinn is directed to treat such as contention interrogatories and must explain in response its appraisal analysis, keeping in mind the topic of each interrogatory.

3. Defendants shall not take plaintiffs' depositions until the above discovery is submitted.

United States District Judge

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LEGRECA & QUINN REAL ESTATE)	
SERVICES INC.,)	
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Defendants.	.)	

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BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 24th day of MOKOh, A.I., 2005, personally appeared before me, the Subscriber, a Notary Public for the State and County a foresaid, Robert Legreca, who did depose and say that he is a representative of the Defendant Lagreca & Quinn Real Estate Services, Inc. in the foregoing action and the Responses set forth in Defendant Lagreca & Quinn's Supplemental Answers to Plaintiffs' Interrogatories Pursuant to Court Order D.I. 72 are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, Information and belief.

Robert Lagreca

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me the day and year aforesaid.

Notary Public

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Lower Gwynedd Turp Montgomery County
My Commission Expires November 13 2006

ANSWER:

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SUPPLEMENTAL ANSWERS OF DEFENDANT LEGRECA & QUINN REAL ESTATE SERVICES, INC. TO PLAINTIFFS' INTERROGATORIES PURSUANT TO COURT ORDER D.I.72

9. Why were parcels 2617 and 2619 Market Street (which appear on the city tax roll assessment and have their own parcel numbers, with municipal services, public utilities, and consist of 5,090 sq. ft., zoned commercial), nominated "utilities" instead of parcels or lots consisting of 5,090 sq. ft.?

> Objection to the extent that this interrogatory mischaracterizes the appraisal report. Without waiving this objection, the parcels 261 / and 2619 are not utilities, but rather are part of the subject property's utility. The subject property is a two-story former semi-detached residential dwelling converted into a commercial building with a paved parking lot. The paved parking lot is located on parcels at 2617 and 2619 Market The subject property was appraised as a single unit of commercial property. The appraisal of the subject property took into

consideration the utility of the subject property. It is usual and customary in the ordinary course of the business of Real Estate Appraisal to consider the functional utility of a property. The functional utility is the ability of a property or building to be useful and to perform the function for which it is intended according to current market tastes and standards and encompasses the efficiency of a building's use in terms—of—its—style, design—and—layout,—traffic—patterns—and—physical-features. The functional utility of the subject property was appraised at a higher value than those of the comparable properties specifically because of the parking lot on parcels 2617 and 2619 as indicated on page 18 of the Appraisal Report. The Appraisal Report has been produced as part of Rule 26 discovery responses and is already part of the record in this litigation.

10. Why were parcels or lots 2617 and 2619 containing 5,090 sq. ft. reduced to utilities instead of given best use and value consideration?

ANSWER: Objection to the extent that this interrogatory mischaracterizes the appraisal report in that the parcels at 2617 and 2619 were not and are not utilities. Without waiving this objection, Answering Defendant Legreca & Quinn was contracted by Co-Defendant Interbay Funding to appraise the subject property located at the address 2617, 2619 and 2625 Market Street as one unit of commercial property. Since the parcels located at 2617 and 2619 were only a portion of the subject property to be appraised, these portions were not segregated from the subject

that the highest and best use of the subject property was for it to continue in commercial use.

Why were parcels 2617 and 2619 Market Street, with tax roll Assessment numbers, municipal services, public utilities, 5,090 sq. ft., zoned commercial nominated as "utilities" not given a market value?

ANSWER:

Objection to the extent that this Interrogatory mischaracterizes the appraisal report. Without waiving this objection, parcels 2617 and 2619 Market Street were only a portion of the subject property being appraised as one unit of commercial property. As such, these parcels were given a market value as part of the subject property which was given a market value of \$140,000.00 under two separate and distinct appraisal approaches.

12. What are the market values of parcels/lots 2617 and 2619 as "utilities", market

ANSWER: Unknown. Answering Defendant has not determined the separate market value of the parcels located at 2617 and 2619 Market Street segregated from the parcel located at 2625 Market Street. It is not a usual or customary method in the business of Real Estate Appraisal to appraise a single commercial property composed of several tax parcels by appraising each parcel separately.

the subject property to which they were connected. The subject property site's highest and best use was evaluated by considering the property as a whole both vacant and as improved. As vacant, Answering Defendant evaluated what was physically possible at the site and determined that the site's size, soil and topography did not physically limit its use. Answering Defendant then considered all the permitted uses of the subject property. The property is zoned C-1 which allows it to be developed for a wide variety of commercial uses including retail stores and personal service businesses. After analyzing the physically possible and legally permissible uses of the subject property, Answering Defendant considered the financial feasability and maximum productivity and determined that the highest and best use of the subject site as though vacant would be for commercial development. Answering Defendant then considered the highest and best use of the subject property as improved with a two-story, former semi-detached dwelling converted into a beauty-salon with a gross building area of 1,875 plus or minus square feet. As improved, the subject property was available for a commercial use with parking for patrons of the business contained thereon. Answering Defendant deemed that the subject property fits relatively well with its surroundings and that the general market for commercial properties appears to be relatively stable in that area. Answering Defendant further determined that the value of the subject property as improved was considered greater than the value the subject

property but were considered to have best use and value as a portion of

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13. Why was the Cost Approach not used on parcels 2617 and 2619 Market Street?

ANSWER: The parcels with the address 2617 and 2619 Market Street are only a portion of the subject property for which Co-Defendant Interbay Funding contracted with Defendant Legreca and Quinn to appraise. The subject property was appraised as one total parcel of real estate. The cost approach was deemed to be an unreliable method by which to appraise the subject property because the cost approach is based on a proposition that an informed purchaser would pay no more for the subject property than the cost to produce a substitute property with equivalent utility. The Cost Approach is particularly applicable where the property being appraised has relatively new improvements or unique improvements for which there are few comparable properties. The cost approach requires the appraiser to form an opinion of the cost of all improvements then depreciate them to reflect value lost from physical, functional and external causes. Answering Defendant deemed the Cost Approach as an unreliable method to appraise the subject property due to-the-subject property's age. Such age made it difficult to accurately form an opinion of depreciation value and, therefore, would not be a reliable method to appraise the subject property, which included the

Why was the Income Approach not used on parcels 2617 and 2619 Market Street?
 ANSWER: Objection to the extent this interrogatory mischaracterizes the appraisal
 report. Without waiving this objection, the Income Capitalization

parcels addressed 2617 and 2619 and 2625 Market Street.

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Approach was used as one of two separate and distinct methods by which the value of the entire subject property was appraised. The subject property includes the three tax parcels 2617, 2619 and 2625 North Market Street. The appraisal was done on the whole subject property as one commercial unit. The appraisal was done on the property as a whole, taking into account all features of the building and land.

Why was the Comparable Approach not used on parcels 2617 and 2619 Market Street?

ANSWER: Objection to the extent this interrogatory mischaracterizes the appraisal report. Without waiving this objection, the Sales Comparison Approach was used as one of two separate and distinct methods by which the value of the entire subject property was appraised. The subject property includes the three tax parcels 2617, 2619 and 2625 North Market Street.

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17. Why was [sic] there only two methods used on evaluation of 2625 Market Street?

ANSWER: There are generally three accepted approaches available to appraise the value of commercial property, Cost, Sales Comparison, and Income Capitalization. Answering Defendant considered and analyzed each approach and deemed the Cost Approach to be inappropriate for the subject property. 2625 Market Street was only a portion of the subject

property. Please see the Answer to Interrogatory Number 13 which explains why the cost approach was not deemed to be a reliable method by which to appraise the subject property.

18. Why were parcels 2617 and 2619 Market Street, (with tax roll assessment numbers, municipal services, public utilities, 5,090 sq. ft. zoned commercial, capable of producing income and being used as collateral to secure the loan,) not given a market value at all?

ANSWER:

Objection to the extent this interrogatory mischaracterizes the appraisal report. Without waiving this objection, Answering Defendant did not determine the separate market value of the parcels located at 2617 and 2619 Market Street segregated from the parcel located at 2625 Market Street because it is not a usual or customary method in the business of Real Estate Appraisal to appraise a single commercial property unit composed of several tax parcels by appraising each parcel separately. The tax parcels addressed 2617 and 2619 Market Street are only a portion of the subject property which was appraised. The subject property as a whole, including all three tax parcels, were given a market value of \$140,000.00 based upon-two-separate and distinct appraisal methods.

Why does the appraisal state that the lot which consists of 5,090 sq. ft. would only hold 10 cars, when in fact it will accommodate at least 20 cars?

ANSWER: Objection to the extent that this Interrogatory mischaracterizes the statements contained within the appraisal report. The appraisal report does not state that any lot would hold only 10 cars. Without waiving this objection, in order to answer this interrogatory, Answering Defendant

points out that the subject property appraised had a total land area of 6,970 plus or minus square feet including an improvement of a two story masonry building with a gross building area of 1,875 plus or minus square feet and site improvements including concrete curbs, sidewalks, macadam paved parking lot which would hold 10 plus or minus cars and signage. The designation of "10 plus or minus cars" was used in the report as an indication that there is a parking lot situated within the subject property which is deemed to be ample in size to accommodate patrons' use of the subject property as improved.

23. Why is the parcel/lot 2625, combined building and parcel/lot space measuring 1,895 sq. ft. given an arbitrary and capricious dollar value, and parcels/lots 2617 and 2619 Market Street, consisting of 5,090 sq. ft. assigned an arbitrary and capricious value that can not be stated?

ANSWER:

Objection to the extent that this Interrogatory maliciously mischaracterizes and maligns the appraisal report by calling it "arbitrary and capricious." Without waiving this objection, the entire subject property-which consisted of all three parcels/lots addressed 2617, 2619 and 2625 Market Street was appraised as a single commercial unit using two separate and distinct appraisal methods which are routinely used within the ordinary course of the business of Real Estate Appraisal and which are recognized by the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice.



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Date: April 26, 2005

Robert E. Brown 1024 Walnut Street Wilmington, DE 19801

RE: Complaint against

Lagreca, Robert Charles File No. 05-70-03385

Dear Mr. Brown:

The Prosecution Division of the Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs, Legal Office, on behalf of the State Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers, has completed its inquiry into the complaint that you filed against Robert Charles Lagreca. After careful review of your complaint, we found that we do not have jurisdiction over your complaint because the property appraised is located in the State of Delaware and falls under the jurisdiction of the Delaware Council on Real Estate Appraisers. Accordingly, no action will be taken against Mr. Lagreca at this time and the complaint has been closed.

Thank you for sharing your concerns with the State Board of Certified Real Estates Appraisers. The information you provided will be kept on file and reference to it has been entered into an informational database so that it can be used to determine if there is a pattern of problems with individual licensees. Although the complaint is being closed, the information will be available for use in the future, if needed.

Sincerely

Peter D. Kovach Prosecuting Attorney

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Department of State



DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

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April 14, 2005

Robert Brown 1024 Walnut Street Wilmington DE 19801

Complaint # 19-04-05

Dear Robert Brown:

The Division of Professional Regulation is in receipt of your letter of complaint against Robert C. Lagreca. The Division's investigation unit is responsible for the conduct of investigations related to complaints against professional licensees.

contact person from the Delaware Counsel on Real Estate Appraisers will be appointed, but any inquiries should be directed to the Division. At the conclusion of the investigation, the Division, in consultation with the contact person, will determine whether to close the case or forward the case to the Attorney General for prosecution. If the Attorney General's office agrees to proceed with a prosecution, an administrative hearing will be held before the appropriate board or commission.

In order to ensure that members of the board or commission can remain unbiased prior to such a hearing, information about the investigation will be shared only with the contact person. You should be aware that communication with other board or commission members could result in those individuals disqualifying themselves from participation in any hearing. Therefore, you are again urged to contact the Division with any information or inquiries pertaining to your complaint.

Sincerely,

Samuel L. Nickerson

Investigative Administrator

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xc: Delaware Counsel on Real Estate Appraisers

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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SHIRLEY H. BROWN, h/w,)	C. A. 04-617 SLR
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)	JURY DEMANDED
INTERBAY FUNDING, LLC, and)	
LEGRECA & QUINN REAL ESTATE)	
SERVICES INC.,)	
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Defendants.)	

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BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this & day of March, A.D., 2005,

personally appeared before me, the Subscriber, a Notary Public for the State and County aforesaid, Robert Legreca, who did depose and say that he is a representative of the Defendant, Legreca & Quinn Real Estate Services, Inc. in the foregoing action and the Answers set forth in Defendant, Legreca & Quinn's Answers to Plaintiffs' Interrogatories and Answers to Plaintiffs' Supplementai Interrogatories are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me the day and year aforesaid.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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SERVICES INC.,)
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Defendants.	:

DEFENDANT LAGRECA & QUINN REAL ESTATE SERVICES, INC. ANSWERS TO PLAINTIFFS' INTERROGATORIES

What is an engagement letter?

ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory seeks legal advice which is beyond the scope of the rules of discovery.

Explain the purpose of the engagement letter and its objective?

ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory seeks legal advice which is beyond the scope of the rules of discovery.

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- ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory is vague and assumes facts which have not been established on the record.
- 5. What was the relationship of Interbay Funding LLC to Lagreca and Quinn Real Estate Services with regard to contract?
 - ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory is vague, incomprehensible as written and seeks legal advice which is beyond the scope of the rules of discovery.
 - 6. What is the legal definition of an independent contractor?
 - ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory seeks legal advice which is beyond the scope of the rules of discovery.
 - 7. What is the definition of an independent appraisal?
 - ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory seeks legal advice which is beyond the scope of the rules of discovery.
- 8. What was the purpose of limiting the appraised value to the current purchase price of the property?
 - ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory is vague and assumes facts which are contrary to facts which have been established on the record.
- 9. Why were parcels 2617 and 2619 Market Street (which appear on the city tax roll assessment and have their own parcel numbers, with municipal services, public utilities, and consist

of 5,090 sq. ft., zoned commercial), nominated "utilities" instead of parcels or lots consisting of 5 090 sq. ft.?

ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory is vague, confusing and incomprehensible.

In particular it is unclear what is meant by "nominated 'utilities.'"

10. Why were parcels or lots 2617 and 2619 containing 5,090 sq. ft. reduced to utilities instead of given best use and value consideration?

ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory is vague and incomprehensible. In particular it is unclear what is meant by "reduced to utilities" and "best use and value consideration."

11. Why were parcels 2617 and 2619 Market Street, with tax roll Assessment numbers, municipal services, public utilities, 5,090 sq. ft., zoned commercial nominated as "utilities" not given a market value?

ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory is vague and subject to many interpretations and, therefore, cannot be answered in its present form.

12. What are the market values of parcels/lots 2617 and 2619 as "utilities", market value?

ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory is vague and unduly burdensome to

Answering Defendant in time and expense.

13. Why was the Cost Approach not used on parcels 2617 and 2619 Market Street?

ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory assumes facts which have not been established on the record and is not reasonably calculated to lead to the

discovery of admissible evidence. Without waiving this objection, the parcels addressed 2617 and 2619 Market Street are only a portion of the subject property on which Co-Defendant Interbay Funding contracted with Defendant Lagreca and Quinn to appraise.

- 14. Why was the Income Approach not used on parcels 2617 and 2619 Market Street?
- ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory assumes facts which have not been established, contradicts facts which have been established on the record and is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. Without waiving these objections, the parcels addressed 2617 and 2619 Market Street are only a portion of the subject property on which Co-Defendant Interbay Funding contracted with Defendant Lagreca and Quinn to appraise.
- 15. Why was the Comparable Approach not used on parcels 2617 and 2619 Market Street?
 - ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory assumes facts which have not been established, contradicts facts which have been established on the record and is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. Without waiving this objection, the parcels addressed 2617 and 2619 Market Street are only a portion of the subject property on which Co-Defendant Interbay Funding contracted with Defendant Lagreca and Quinn to appraise.

- 16. Explain fully, "any and all Persons" at Interbay Funding, LLC, interest, contact, participation, consultation, and/or relationship with the following:
 - a. Application approval;
 - b. Approval of Loan;
 - c. Selection of Appraisal Company;
 - d. Author of Engagement Letter; and
 - e. Changing of the terms of the Contract.
 - ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory is not addressed to the proper party.

 Without waiving this objection, Answering Defendant has no knowledge or information which is responsive hereto.
 - 17. Why was there only two methods used on evaluation of 2625 Market Street?
 - ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory misstates facts which have been established on the record and seeks information which has already been provided to Plaintiffs through initial disclosures made in accordance with Rule 26(a)(1)(B) and is, therefore, unduly burdensome on Answering Defendant as Plaintiffs have had ample opportunity by discovery in this action to obtain the information sought.
- 18. Why were parcels 2617 and 2619 Market Street, (with tax roll assessment numbers, municipal services, public utilities, 5,090 sq. ft. zoned commercial, capable of producing income and being used as collateral to secure the loan,) not given a market value at all?
 - ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory assumes facts that have not been established and contradicts facts which have been established on the

record and, therefore, is unanswerable in its present form.

19. Why was it necessary to change the terms of the Browns' contract?

ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory is not addressed to the proper party. Without waiving this objection, Answering Defendant has no knowledge or information which is responsive hereto.

20. Why were the Browns' required to pay \$2,500.00 Dollars for an appraisal and not be told about the engagement letter?

ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory is not addressed to the proper party. Without waiving this objection, Answering Defendant has no knowledge or information which is responsive hereto.

21. Why were the Browns' not told that the document faxed to them, labeled as Plaintiffs Exhibit (A-1), actually was page 16, of the appraisal they paid for?

ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory is not addressed to the proper party. Without waiving this objection, Answering Defendant has no knowledge or information which is responsive hereto.

22. Why does the appraisal state that the lot which consists of 5,090 sq. ft. would only hold 10 cars, when in fact it will accommodate at least 20 cars?

ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory is beyond the scope and improper under the rules of discovery in that it appears to be requiring an admission of a fact which has not been established.

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there are appreciation arrowed to the Browns' for the project plans for improvements to the properties 3617, 2619 and 2625 Market Street, by Interbay or Lagreca and

ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence and appears to assume facts which have not been established. Without waiving these objections, the appraisal for which Defendant Lagreen and Quinn contracted to perform was an appraisal of the present value of property in its current, existing condition for the numberes of evaluating collateral on a mortgage.

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ANSWER: Objection. This interrogatory is not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible milience and assumes facts which have not been established. Defendant Lagreen & Quinn can only answer for its own sections and offers no response beneto that involves, affects or presumes actions taken by Co-Defendant Interbay. Without waiving these objections, the appraisal for which Defendant Lagreca and Quinn contracted to perform was an appraisal of the present value of property in its current, existing condition rather than in a future, nonexistent condition.

REGER & RIZZO, LLP As to Objections

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Real Estate Services, Inc.

Michael A. Lagreca, MAI Robert C. Lagreca, SRA Paul D. Quinn, MAI

March 30, 2004

Ms. Cathy Gallagher Interbay Funding, L.L.C 1301 Virginia Drive, 403 Fort Washington, PA 19034

Re: Complete Appraisal of Real Property

In a Summary Report

2617 - 2625 North Market Street

City of Wilmington

New Castle County, Delaware 19802

Project # - 2040542

Dear Ms. Gallagher:

In fulfillment of our agreement as outlined in the Letter of Engagement, we are pleased to transmit our complete appraisal report on the property referenced above.

The value opinion reported below is qualified by certain assumptions, limiting conditions, certifications, and definitions, which are set forth in the report. We note that this appraisal does not employ any extraordinary assumptions or hypothetical conditions.

This report was prepared for Interbay Funding, L.L.C. and is intended only for their specified use. It may not be distributed to or relied upon by any other persons or entities without the written permission of Lagreca & Quinn Real Estate Services, Inc. This appraisal report has been prepared in accordance with our interpretation of your institutions guidelines, Title XI of the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989 (FIRREA), and the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP).

This is a complete appraisal presented in a summary report. A summary format of report does not contain all of the information that would normally be found in a self-contained document. A summary report makes a concise presentation of the data and analyses at a level of detail that is less than that in a self-contained report. Nevertheless, the information presented in a summary report is to be sufficient for the client and the intended users of the document to readily understand the appraisal without being misled or confused. The property was inspected by and the report was prepared by Robert C. Lagreca, SRA and Meghan Payne.

This appraisal employs the Sales Comparison Approach and the Income Capitalization Approach. Based on our analysis and knowledge of the subject property type and relevant investor profiles, it is our opinion that these approaches would be considered applicable and/or necessary for market participants. The subject's age makes it difficult to accurately form an opinion of depreciation and tends to make the Cost Approach unreliable. Investors do not typically rely on the Cost Approach when purchasing a property such as the subject of this report. Therefore, we have not utilized the Cost Approach to develop an opinion of market value.





Ms. Cathy Gallagher Interbay Funding, L.L.C Page 2 Lagreca & Quinn Real Estate Services, Inc.

Based on our Complete Appraisal as defined by the *Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice*, we have developed an opinion that the market value of the fee simple estate of the referenced property, subject to the assumptions and limiting conditions, certifications, extraordinary and hypothetical conditions, if any, and definitions, "as-is" on March 30, 2004 is:

ONE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS

\$140,000

Based upon transactions that have occurred in the marketplace as well as discussions with knowledgeable market participants, exposure time would have required approximately twelve (12) months.

This letter is invalid as an opinion of value if detached from the report, which contains the text, exhibits, and Addenda.

Respectfully submitted,

Lagreca & Quinn Real Estate Services, Inc.

Robert C. Lagreca, SRA

DE Certified General Appraiser

License No. 014935

Meghan Payne

Assistant to the Certified

Meghan Payne

Real Estate Appraiser



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Effective Date July 1, 2003

APPRAISAL REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST - COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES

Instructions to the appraiser: Insert initials or page numbers, attach document to report.

Electronic transfer of reports (including exhibits and Addenda attachments) is encouraged.

Reports will be addressed to the mortgage broker, for InterBay Funding, LLC, or to a designated third party.

InterBay Funding, LLC is not responsible for payment of fees unless the appraiser is engaged by interBay in writing.

A.	GE	NERAL REQUIREMENTS	Initials	
	1.	<u>Development/Report Options</u> : Complete Appraisal, Summary Report is required. A Limited Appraisal, Summary Report may be appropriate for <u>some assignments in some lending programs</u> , but this option must be approved in writing by an InterBay Real Estate Analyst prior to preparation of the report.	RCL	
	Limited Summary Approval:			
	Analyst: Date:		N/A	
	2.	Kick Off Call: Appraisers must discuss the format and content for the assignment with the appropriate Real Estate Analyst prior to initiating the assignment. If the appraiser has not been contacted by an Analyst by the time of inspection, the appraiser must contact an Analyst.	-	
	3.	Formats: Narrative reports are preferred. Acceptable "form" reports include:	RCL	
	•	Up to 20 units (apartments, mixed-use): FHLMC Form 71B with addenda comments.		
	•	Small commercial: UCIAR with addenda comments (InterBay approval required).		
	All	reports (narrative or form) must include the information cited below.		
	4. (Competency: A Certified General Appraiser must inspect the property.	RCL	
	5. <u>I</u>	Definition of Market Value: As referenced in the most recent edition of USPAP.	RCL	
	rec	Report Content: The level of detail must meet or exceed USPAP and FIRREA uirements. The detail of description for the subject property, comparable properties, analyses must be sufficient to allow independent review.	RCL	
	app Ap	Departure: The appraiser must not invoke the departure provision without previous proval of the Interbay Funding, LLC Real Estate Department. The omission of the Cost proach is not considered a Departure if the approach is not applicable to the property. All plicable approaches to valuation must be developed.	RCL	
		te: if the income capitalization approach is not developed, the appraiser must ovide rental comparables and estimate the subject's potential market rent.		
		Market Value: An as is market value for the real estate must be reported. Any value t is attributable to personal or intangible property, if any, must be separately allocated.	RCL	
	cor	Special Purpose Properties: Appraisers must discuss the appropriate appraisal attent for special purpose properties or properties with excess/surplus land with an arrange Real Estate Analyst prior to initiating an assignment.	RCL	

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